

# LOUISBURG PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 24, 2016

The Planning Commission of the City of Louisburg, Kansas met at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers with Chairperson Andy Sauber presiding.

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

Commission Members: Nate Apple, Brandon Fosbinder, Scott Hipp, Thorvald McKiernan,

Less Page, Anne Smith and Gus Strughen

City Administrator: Nathan Law City Council: David Cannon

Recording Secretary: Rusty Whitham

Visitors: Scott Allen, T.J. and Aimee Williams

#### ITEM 1: ROLL CALL

#### **ITEM 2: ADOPTION OF THE ADGENDA:**

A motion was made by Nate Apple to adopt the agenda as submitted. The motion was seconded by Anne Smith. Motion passed 8-0.

### **ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Nate Apple to approve the minutes as written from the January 27, 2016 meeting. The motion was seconded by Brandon Fosbinder and passed 7-0. Less Page abstained.

**ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Persons who wish to address the Planning Commission regarding items not on the agenda may do so at this time. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. Any presentation is for information purposes only.

Scott Allen representing the Timber Creek Restaurant (14 East Amity) approached the Commission concerning the possibility of selling and or leasing prefabricated storage sheds out of the N/E corner parking lot. This area of the parking lot is rarely used and would be an ideal location to display sheds for sale or lease. Allen stated that the sheds are manufactured by a company named Rocky Acre Buildings. Allen wanted to know the procedure to allow the display of in his parking lot.

Nate Apple asked how many sheds will be on display. Allen replied 4 to 5.

Chairperson Andy Sauber asked staff to explain what needs to be done. Staff replied that a Site Plan review by the Planning Commission is required. It was mentioned a hand drawn site plan would be acceptable. No formal survey will be required. It was also explained that the fee for a Site Plan review is \$300. Once the site plan and fee are received this item will be discussed during the next available Planning Commission Meeting.

Less Page suggested that the applicant provide specific information concerning the size, location and number of sheds that will be on displayed in the parking lot.

No further discussion concerning this topic occurred. This portion of the meeting was an open discussion and no action was required by the Planning Commission.

# **PUBLIC HEARING BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**ITEM 5:** None

## **NON-PUBLIC HEARING BUSINESS**

**ITEM 6:** A discussion concerning a petition for the voluntary deannexation of two tracts of land from the City of Louisburg.

Chairperson Andy Sauber asked Staff to explain why this item needs to come to the Planning Commission for discussion. Staff replied the City Attorney recommended that the Planning Commission review this request and make recommendations to the City Council as needed. Nathan Law added that the Planning Commission takes into consideration long term planning and this is an ideal forum to formulate recommendations for the City Council.

T.J and Aimee Williams explained that they wish to build a large barn to house cattle and farm equipment on two vacant tracts of land (24.6 acres) they own located east of their residential home located at 605 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street. They mentioned plans to install a fence consisting of steal fencing along 16th Street and barbwire along the remaining perimeter of the property. The fencing would be used to contain the cattle. Due to restrictions in the City Zoning Regulations the Williams are running into difficulties building the barn and installing a barbwire fence. They have chosen to de-annex their land from the City of Louisburg because they feel that the County maybe for flexible to their needs.

After an extensive discussion most agreed that rezoning the property from R-1 Single Family Dwelling to A-L Agricultural Zoning District would be the best course of action. Both T.J. and Aimee Williams indicated that they will forgo the deanneaxation petition and apply for rezoning.

No further discussion concerning this topic occurred. This was a discussion item and no formal action was required by the Planning Commission.

**ITEM 7: OLD BUSINESS:** Any old business the Commission may wish to discuss. None

**ITEM 8: NEW BUSINESS:** 

None

# **ITEM 9: REPORTS**

None

# **ITEM 10: ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Thorvald McKiernan to adjourn the meeting. Second was made by Nate Apple. The motion passed 8-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

**Submitted by Rusty Whitham Recording Secretary**